

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Patent Application, particularly in view of the above Amendment and the following remarks.

Amendments to Claims

Applicants have amended Claim 1 to further define the apparatus of the present invention. The present Claims now specifically make clear the information (regarding the switchgear cabinet) can be called up by the at least one personal computer (3) through the web browser (3.1). This Amendment is fully supported in the Specification at least at Page 3, last paragraph; Page 4, first paragraph, Page 5, last paragraph; Page 8; Page 9, first and second paragraphs; and in Fig. 1. This Amendment adds no new matter to this Patent Application.

Drawing Objection

The drawings stand objected to as lacking English language markings. Applicants have herewith submitted a substitute drawing to obviate the objections.

Claims Rejection - 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1-6 and 10-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e), as being anticipated by Thomas et al., U.S. Patent Application, Publication No. 2003/0061335 (hereinafter "Thomas"). This rejection is respectfully traversed, particularly in view of the above Amendment and the following remarks.

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Applicants' claimed invention now specifically requires that the PC can access the SGC information through a web browser. Such a convenience is not taught by Thomas. In Thomas, the PC must be loaded with the appropriate control software (see para. [0021]). Thus, Thomas appears to teach a closed loop or proprietary system requiring specialized equipment. This is unlike the present invention which allows monitoring or control through any PC connected to the appropriate network (see Page 9, line 9 of the Specification).

Thus, Applicants believe that the above Amendment overcomes the rejection of each Claim under 35 U.S.C. §102(e).

Claims Rejection - 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 7-9 and 14-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over Thomas in view of Murphy et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,768,148 (hereinafter Murphy). In as much as Thomas does not meet the limitations of Claim 1, and Murphy is not cited for any such related teachings, a *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been made out. The undersigned has also performed a word search of Murphy on the PTO web site which returned no references to "webbrowser," "web browser," "website," or "web site."

Thus, Applicants believe that the above Amendment overcomes the rejection of each Claim under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

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Conclusion

Applicants believe that the above Amendment and remarks address each and every issue raised by the Examiner and overcome each and every objection and rejection. However, should the Examiner detect any remaining issue, Applicants kindly request the Examiner to contact the undersigned, preferably by telephone, in an effort to expedite examination of this Patent Application.

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AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWING

A new drawing sheet setting forth a replacement for the Figure is attached hereto.